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EDUCATION FIRST NEED

Secretary Taft Speaks from Experience of Life in the Philippines.

RELIGIOUS TEACHING FOLLOW

At Present Attention Should Be Given to the Hospitals and Hygiene in Which the Natives Lack Knowledge.

Philadelphia, March 1.—Secretary of War Taft was the principal speaker last night at the fifteenth annual dinner of the Presbyterian Social Union of Philadelphia. He spoke on the "good which Protestant missions can do and are doing in the Philippines."

He said he had been agreeably surprised to find how liberal the country had been in accepting the religious questions in these islands. "Justice demands," he said, "that we acknowledge indebtedness to friars and other priests of the Roman Catholic church who have given to the United States Christian material from which we can make a self-governing people."

The secretary briefly reviewed the religious history of the islands and said that he did not think the time was ripe for proselytizing. He believed that more can be done for the Philippines by sending money for hospitals, schools and churches, and above all high class clergymen who could set a standard for the people. Ninety per cent of the population, he said, lives in dense ignorance and until this great percentage of the people has been educated, he added, self-government in the islands must be postponed.

The hygiene of the Philippines, he said, is dreadful. He told of how infants died because of the lack of knowledge on the part of the parents to properly care for them.

"I owe my whole life to Burdock Blood Bitters. Scrofulous sores covered my body. I seemed beyond cure. B. B. B. has made me a perfectly well woman." Mrs. Chas. Hutton, Berville, Mich.

TEACHERS CAN MARRY.

Husband No Bar to a Lady Teaching in Public School.

New York, March 1.—The court of appeals has decided a case of the greatest importance to the teachers of this city and one which is bound to create a tremendous stir in educational circles. The case is that of Mrs. Kate M. Murphy against William H. Maxwell as city superintendent of schools.

Mrs. Murphy, prior to her marriage, was a teacher in public school 20 in Brooklyn, her maiden name being Kate M. Hickey. After she had successfully taught for a period of ten years she was wooed and won by Nicholas S. Murphy, a young and well-to-do commercial traveler.

No sooner had she contracted this matrimonial alliance than the board of education declared that her position as school teacher vacant and thereupon appointed another teacher in her place. This was done in pursuance of a by-law of the board which provides that the marriage of a teacher forfeits her position. In addition to that there is another by-law which reads: "No married woman shall be appointed to any teaching or supervising position in the day public schools."

Mrs. Murphy declined to accept the decision of the board of education as final and consulted Swanstrom & Keyes, of which firm ex-Borough Pres-

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A writ of mandamus was applied for and granted, requiring the board of education to reinstate the relator, Mrs. Murphy, to her former position. The appellate division, Justice Hooker, writing the opinion, decided that the by-laws was reasonable and that the board of education had a right to remove any teacher who was so forgetful of her position in the teaching force as to enter the state of matrimony. Mrs. Murphy's lawyers at once appealed to the court of last resort, which has just handed down a decision reversing the decision of the appellate division and holding that it is no crime for a teacher to get married. There are a number of similar cases in Mr. Swanstrom's office which have been held in abeyance pending this decision.

The result of the decision will be to restore a number of teachers who have been removed for no other reason than their marriage.

Striking Miners Arrested.
Telluride, Colo., March 1.—Sheriff Rutan, assisted by a detachment of the military, arrested 27 striking miners on the charge of vagrancy. The men were taken before Judge Holmes, who fined 25 of them and discharged the rest. He gave them until 2 o'clock today to decide whether they would go to work and have their fines suspended as a consequence. Otherwise, he said they would have to leave town or go to jail.

Luxuries Will Come High.
The Hague, March 1.—A new customs bill will shortly be presented to the states general. It exempts from duty raw materials, imposes a small duty on partly manufactured materials and duties ranging from 6 to 12 per cent ad valorem on wholly manufactured goods. On luxuries the tariff is still higher. It is estimated the new tariff will yield an increase of about \$3,700,000. The free list includes cereals and agricultural and horticultural products, among them flour, in casks, and coffee.

WORTH A THOUGHT.

This Statement Will Interest Scores of Astoria Readers.

The facts given below are worth a perusal by all who are anxious about their physical condition or are similarly situated to this resident of Portland. It is a local occurrence and can be thoroughly investigated:

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OLD DOCUMENT IN DANGER.

Thieves Try to Break in and Steal Washington's Will.

New York, March 1.—An attempt has been made, according to dispatches from Alexandria, Va., to steal the will of George Washington from the clerk's office of the Fairfax county court house. The outer doors of the vault were shattered by the explosive used, but the document, which reposes in a glass case with other valuable papers, was unharmed. The will is in Washington's writing and was made in the year of his death. It covers 25 closely written pages, each of which bears the signature of the first president.

Month's Capitalization.

New York, March 1.—The total authorized capitalization of new companies formed in the eastern states during February with a capital of \$1,000,000 or more fell to an unusually low point—\$53,700,000. The low water mark figure for a series of years were reached in November, 1903, when they were \$58,100,000. Pennsylvania led in February with a total of \$19,979,000.

OREGON GIRL GREAT PIANIST.

Miss Eula Howard, of Grant's Pass, Makes Hit in San Francisco.

Miss Eula Howard, the wonderful young pianiste of Grant's Pass, is creating a furor wherever she goes. She played in San Francisco the other evening, and the musical critic of the Bulletin had the following to say about her performance:

"Miss Eula Howard astonished and delighted a large audience at Steinway hall Thursday. Miss Howard is a young girl whose home is in Grant's Pass, Oregon. A year and a half ago all her dreams of what music might be were evolved from her own consciousness, for she had received only the most primitive sort of instruction and had never heard any one play the piano better than she could herself. Now she has had ten months of enlightened instruction, has listened, with a pleasure that is given to few mortals, to music as interpreted by artists, and has applied herself so diligently to the work she has chosen for herself that she is able to rouse a remarkable enthusiasm whenever she plays for anyone. Her playing is called "original," her expression is beautiful and delicate. Her technique is chiefly noticeable for the finger-work, which is marvelously dainty, delicate and perfect. She was repeatedly encored by her enthusiastic audience.

"Two numbers on the program which the audience especially enjoyed and which were repeated were the "Ich liebe dich" by Grieg, and "The Lady of Shalott" by Albert Elkus. The latter appealed strongly to the audience, Miss Howard playing it most charmingly.

"By her delightful interpretation of art and her devotion to it, as well as by her sunny personality, little Miss Howard has endeared herself to a large-

SAVAGE CUSTOM DENOUNCED BY BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

Writes Letter to Alabama Paper in Which He Scores Acts of Barbarity to Members of His Race.

Birmingham, Ala., March 1.—The Age Herald yesterday published the following letter from Booker T. Washington:

"Within the last fortnight three members of my race have been burned at the stake. Of these one was a woman. Not one of the three was charged with any crime even remotely connected with the abuse of a white woman. In every case murder was the sole accusation. All of these burnings took place in broad daylight, and two of them occurred on Sunday afternoon

in sight of a Christian church. "These barbarous scenes are more disgraceful and degrading to the people who inflict punishment than those who receive it. "Worst of all, these outrages take place in communities where there are Christian churches; in the midst of people who have their Sunday schools their Christian Endeavor societies and Young Men's Christian associations; sending missionaries to Africa and China and the rest of the so-called heathen world."

NEW CAUSE FOR WORRY

Lighting Problem in California Reduced to Simple Case of Monopoly.

BIG TRANSFER OF COMPANY

Great Corporation Absorbs Lesser Light, and Will Now Be in Position to Supply Twenty Counties.

San Francisco, March 1.—The California Gas & Electric Corporation has consummated an important deal in this city by the purchase of the system of the Standard Electric Company of California and the United Gas & Electric Company. This gives the California Gas & Electric Company a monopoly in the supplying of electric power to 20 of the principal counties in the state. Both of the companies absorbed are extensive concerns, heavily capitalized. The Standard had a capitalization of \$5,000,000 authorized stock and \$5,000,000 in bonds, all issued and outstanding. The United Gas was capitalized at \$2,500,000 in authorized stock, of which \$2,286,000 is outstanding, and \$2,000,000 in authorized bonds, of which \$1,100,000 is outstanding. The purchase price paid for these two companies by the California Gas & Electric Company has not been made public, but it is said to be a high one. The Standard Electric Company's main plant is in Amador county. It supplies Sacramento and San Joaquin counties, joining with the United Gas & Electric Company in supplying the counties around San Francisco bay, its lines running through San Jose up the west side of the bay into this city.

IT SAVED HIS LEG.

P. A. Danforth, of La Grange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklin's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by Chas. Rogers, druggist.

LOOKING FOR SWINDLER.

Smoth Scheme Worked by Fake Medicine Man.

New York, March 1.—The police of the Liberty avenue station are looking for a man about 30 years old 5 feet 8 inches in height, with a red moustache, dark hair and sallow complexion. He wore according to the police description, a black suit and derby hat. He is said to be a swindler.

The man first appeared in East New York a week ago, when he went into several houses, the occupants of which the police decline to disclose, and represented himself as agent for Francis H. Leggett, wholesale grocer, at Frank lin street and West Broadway, Manhattan.

His ruse, according to the police, was to ask the woman who answered the call, from which grocery store they purchased their goods. Obtaining the desired information, he would then say: "Well, I am giving patent health food away free. All I want is your signature to this."

The man would then show a paper looking like a blank check, and have the occupant of the house sign her name to it. The swindler then would forge the signature on a check for \$3 or \$5, hire a messenger boy and dispatch him with the check to the grocery store where his victim traded.

Just how much the swindler has realized and how many victims he has secured, the police refuse to say. Central Office detectives are working in conjunction with the detectives of the Liberty avenue station, but to the present time have been unsuccessful.

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